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Austria, China, Costa Rica*, Morocco, Peru, Philippines, Poland: draft decision

Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons

The Economic and Social Council, having considered the note by the Secretary-General on the continuation of the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons, 1/ recommends to the General Assembly, in response to its resolution 45/91 of 14 December 1990, the adoption of the proposal of the Secretary-General to continue in the period beyond the Decade the operation of the Voluntary Fund for the United Nations Decade of Disabled Persons, henceforth to be called the United Nations Voluntary Fund on Disability, including the proposed terms of reference of the Fund, as contained in paragraph 10 of the note.

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Pakistan*: draft resolution

World social situation

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1989/72 of 24 May 1989 and 1991/4 of 30 May 1991 and General Assembly resolution 46/95 of 16 December 1991,

Noting that in paragraph 4 of its resolution 1991/4 the Secretary-General was requested to reorient the draft framework for the 1993 report on the world social situation 1/ so that it is in consonance with the requests set forth in paragraph 4 of its resolution 1989/72, and to submit it to the Council for consideration at its substantive session of 1992,

Bearing in mind the importance of a well-balanced report on the world social situation for increasing international awareness of the efforts being made towards achieving the goals of social progress and better standards of living, established in the Charter of the United Nations, as well as of the obstacles to further progress,

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* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77.

1/ A/46/56-E/1991/6 and Corr.1, annex.

Deeply concerned by the continued worsening of the economic situation in many developing countries, particularly the least developed countries, as evidenced by the significant decline in living conditions, the persistence and increase of widespread poverty in a large number of those countries and the decline of their main social and economic indicators,

Bearing in mind that certain developing countries have been able to achieve some economic and social progress,

Having considered the draft framework for the 1993 report on the world social situation contained in the report of the Secretary-General, 1/

1. Notes that in preparation of the draft framework for the 1993 report on the world social situation efforts have been made to reorient it in accordance with the requests of the Council and the General Assembly;

2. Reaffirms the request set forth in paragraph 4 of Council resolution 1989/72 that, in preparing the next report on the world social situation, the Secretary-General give high priority to an analysis of the main indicators of social progress and standards of living and make a comprehensive analysis of the main causes and circumstances that explain negative trends in those indicators, and reaffirms also that chapters devoted to the study of specific social problems must be related to global economic and social situations, taking into account both national and international conditions;

3. Requests the Secretary-General, in preparing the 1993 report, to also take into account the intrinsic relationship between economic growth and social development and to analyse in depth the economic problems of the developing countries and the impact of those problems on the world social situation;

4. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session, through the Economic and Social Council, the 1993 report on the world social situation.